

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as set forth below:

1. (Currently Amended) A computer accessible medium comprising a plurality of instructions which, when executed:

modify at least a first attribute corresponding to a first volume, the first volume corresponding to a computer system's backup state, wherein the computer system's backup state was previously saved in a backup operation, and wherein the first attribute is modified in the computer system's backup state subsequent to the backup operation; and

subsequent to modifying the first attribute, cause the first volume with the modified first attribute to be created on a first computer system to which as part of a restore of the computer system's backup state is to be restored to the first computer system.

2. (Original) The computer accessible medium as recited in claim 1 wherein the plurality of instructions, when executed, modify the first attribute responsive to user input.

3. (Original) The computer accessible medium as recited in claim 1 wherein the first attribute comprises a protection attribute.

4. (Original) The computer accessible medium as recited in claim 3 wherein the protection attribute comprises a redundant array of inexpensive disks (RAID) level.

5. (Original) The computer accessible medium as recited in claim 3 wherein the protection attribute comprises whether or not the first volume is mirrored.

6. (Original) The computer accessible medium as recited in claim 1 wherein the first attribute comprises a performance attribute.

7. (Original) The computer accessible medium as recited in claim 6 wherein the performance attribute comprises whether or not the first volume is striped.
8. (Original) The computer accessible medium as recited in claim 1 wherein the first attribute comprises a size of the first volume.
9. (Original) The computer accessible medium as recited in claim 8 wherein modifying the first attribute comprises reducing the size.
10. (Original) The computer accessible medium as recited in claim 8 wherein modifying the first attribute comprises increasing the size.
11. (Original) The computer accessible medium as recited in claim 1 wherein the first attribute comprises a type of the first volume, and wherein modifying the first attribute comprises changing the type.
12. (Original) The computer accessible medium as recited in claim 1 wherein the plurality of instructions, when executed, modify a second attribute corresponding to a first filesystem corresponding to the computer system's backup state.
13. (Original) The computer accessible medium as recited in claim 1 wherein the computer system's backup state comprises a configuration file, and wherein the configuration file comprises data describing the first volume and the first attribute, and wherein modifying the first attribute comprises changing the configuration file.
14. (Original) The computer accessible medium as recited in claim 13 wherein causing the first volume to be created comprises generating a restore procedure that the computer system executes.
15. (Original) The computer accessible medium as recited in claim 1 wherein the first

volume is created as part of a restore of the backup state to the first computer system.

16. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

modifying at least a first attribute corresponding to a first volume, the first volume corresponding to a computer system's backup state, wherein the computer system's backup state was previously saved in a backup operation, and wherein the modifying is performed in the computer system's backup state subsequent to the backup operation; and

subsequent to the modifying, initiating a restore of the computer system's backup state, including the first volume with the modified first attribute, to a first computer system, wherein the restore comprises creating the first volume on the first computer system.

17. (Original) The method as recited in claim 16 further comprising accepting user input specifying the modification to the first attribute.

18. (Original) The method as recited in claim 16 wherein the first attribute comprises a protection attribute.

19. (Original) The method as recited in claim 18 wherein the protection attribute comprises a redundant array of inexpensive disks (RAID) level.

20. (Original) The method as recited in claim 18 wherein the protection attribute comprises whether or not the first volume is mirrored.

21. (Original) The method as recited in claim 16 wherein the first attribute comprises a performance attribute.

22. (Original) The method as recited in claim 21 wherein the performance attribute

comprises whether or not the first volume is striped.

23. (Original) The method as recited in claim 16 wherein the first attribute comprises a size of the first volume.

24. (Original) The method as recited in claim 23 wherein modifying the first attribute comprises reducing the size.

25. (Original) The method as recited in claim 23 wherein modifying the first attribute comprises increasing the size.

26. (Original) The method as recited in claim 16 wherein the first attribute comprises a type of the first volume, and wherein modifying the first attribute comprises changing the type.

27. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:

a first computer system configured to modify at least a first attribute of a first volume corresponding to a computer system's backup state, wherein the computer system's backup state was previously saved in a backup operation, and wherein the first attribute is modified in the computer system's backup state subsequent to the backup operation, and wherein the first computer system is configured to subsequently initiate a restore of the computer system's backup state, including the first volume with the modified first attribute; and

a second computer system on which the computer system's backup state is to be restored.